

THE THORNEY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR 1950.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I submit herewith my Annual Report for 1950.

The health of the district has been satisfactory. There was a Measles epidemic during May and June, 1950, and one case of Infantile Paralysis.

There has been no change in the water and sewerage disposal arrangements.

Your obedient Servant,

J.R.F. Popplewell,

Medical Officer of Health.

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Medical Officer of Health : J.R.F. Popplewell, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,
D. (Obst.) R.C.O.G.

Sanitary Inspector. : T.A.C. March, M.S.I.A., Cert.R.S.

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GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area ... 21,796 acres.
Population ... 2,481.

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VITAL STATISTICS.

	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Live Births : Legitimate.	20.	15.
Illegitimate	-	2.
<u>Total :</u>	<u>20.</u>	<u>17.</u>
Stillbirths.	Nil.	1.
Deaths of Infants under 1 year.	1.	Nil.
Deaths from Cancer.	3.	2.
Deaths from Tuberculosis.	Nil.	Nil.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

There have been the following cases of infectious disease :

1 case of Scarlet Fever.
8 cases of Whooping Cough.
137 cases of Measles.
1 case of Poliomyelitis.
1 case of Puerperal Pyrexia.

(Age chart as under)

	Scarlet Fever.		Whooping Cough.		Measles.		Poliomyelitis.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 1 yr.					4			
1 - 2			1.	2.	15	10		1.
3 - 4		1.	2.	2.	16.	19.		
5 - 9.			1		35.	31.		
10 - 14.					4.	3.		
15 - 24								
24 & Over.								
TOTAL		1.	4.	4.	74.	63.		1.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

38% of children under 5 and 78% of children between five and fifteen years have been immunised against diphtheria.

LABORATORY FACILITIES.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

NURSING IN THE HOME.

INSPECTION & SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

CLINICS.

The facilities of all the above services are the same as last year.

WATER SUPPLY.

The quality of the water at the source (from the River Nene) cannot be called good, but it is safeguarded by chlorination. There has been no contamination by lead. No bacteriological examinations have been made during the year.

SEWERAGE.

There has been no alteration to the sewerage works or sewage disposal during the past year.

HOUSING.

Private.

1 House completed during the year.
1 " under construction.

Council Houses.

11 Houses completed.
3 " under construction.

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